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In response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2007, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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